

THE old proverb says "be just before you be generous." The Nation having risen to a lofty height of generosity in pensioning men who fought to destroy it, and their widows, it ought to now take up its position on the plane of commonplace justice, by giving at least an equal pension to the men who preserved its life, and to their widows.

FOR one day in battle, or 14 days in camp, the militiaman of 1812, whether disabled or not, got a land warrant for 160 acres, and \$9 a month. Under the Matson mangle, three months' hard service in West Virginia, in Missouri, or on the Chickahominy only gets the man who was broken down by it 90 cents a month, with no land warrant.

THE ancients believed seven to be a sacred number. They thought it ran through all nature. They pointed out that there were seven mouths to the Nile, seven great planets, seven metals, seven apertures to the brain, seven days in the moon's phases, etc. But they never thought of making the orphans of their veterans support themselves on seven cents a day.

It is a duty you owe to your comrades to get at least one new subscriber for THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE.

WHAT Col. Macon calls "amending" everybody else terms "mangling."

TRIBUNE

Counting in Mexico is carried on by the young man standing on the sidewalk beneath his innamorata's window, and making expressive pantomime to her. This must be like ratting a young wife with a knitting needle—take a great while to get to get enough.

There is no letter illustration of faith, than the spectacle of a man in a white, bald-headed druggist \$1 for a bottle of "Infallible Hair Renewer." He never stops to think that the druggist is quite as anxious as anybody for restorer hair, and that if there were any real virtue in the nostrum, the bald-headed pill-maker would be the first to avail himself of it.

Canada wants reciprocity. We should think she would. We get from her 50,000 able-bodied laborers every year, and only return a few bank cashiers and County Treasurers. Her love of reciprocity is, doubtless, to let us have the gentlemen's services for a few years, and take the able-bodied laborers.

**Life:**  
An unpopular youth of Cologne,  
With pain in his stomach did moan;  
He heaved a great sigh,  
And said, "I would die,  
But the loss would be only my own."  
**Graphic:** The days are getting longer, but  
the promissory note seems to mature with as  
much rapidity as it did last Winter.

**PERSONAL.**

Maj. James Franklin Pitts, formerly of the 11th N. Y., and whose contributions to THE NATIONAL YOUNGER have introduced him most pleasantly to our readers, is the author of a charming book entitled "Capt. Kidd's Gold" which is a true story of the adventures of a sailor-boy. It is full of history, geography, seamanship, and a dash of adventure, told in a way to please the boys, and has all the qualities to make a bright, delightful book. During the war Maj. Pitts was sent to the Bermudas, and he has worked into this story the knowledge that he acquired on that trip. The book will be published by A. L. Burt, 162 William Street, New York, and put on sale about the last of June, at \$1 a copy.

## MUSTERED OUT.

**HICKENESS**—J. R. Hickeness, 4th, Ind., died at his home in Steuben County, ind., Feb. 20, aged 53 years. He was a member of Judson Kilpatrick Post, No. 102, G. A. R., and was a loving husband and kind father. He leaves a wife and four children.

**BERKSHIRE**—Wm. M. Berkshire, Co. G, 7th Ky. Cav., died at Strasburg, Mo., Nov. 30, 1887. Comrade Berkshire was a kind and gentle father and a devoted husband.

**HOWARD**—Died on the 13th of March, at his residence in Findlay, O. Capt. Samuel Howard, aged 54 years, was a member of the 10th Ohio Cavalry, and was killed at the battle of Gettysburg, Pa., in August, 1862, and resigned April 1, 1864, on account of an injury received by a fall on a night march. The Captain was well respected by his men and the citizens of the County. He had been Treasurer of the County two terms since the war. He was buried in the National Cemetery at Washington, D. C. He was a member of several organizations; he was an honored member. His

members of his old company acted as pallbearers. He was buried in the cemetery at Emporia, Kan., Feb. 9, of palsy. Albert C. Abbott, Co. E, 63d Ill. regt., aged 45 years. Comrade Abbott was a member of the 63d Ill. regt. for 12 years. He was killed in good standing of P. Henry Tillson Post, No. 10, G. A. R., at Emporia, Kan., Oct. 18, 1894.

First—Philip Gisl died in October, 1887, at his home in Morgan County, Tenn., aged 67 years. He belonged to Co. C, 9th Tenn. Cav., and was a member of the 9th Tenn. Cav. for 12 years.

WILCOXES.—Capt. John W. Wilcoxson, Co. A, 27th Ind., died March 29 at Emporia, Kan., aged 45 years. He was a member of the 27th Ind. for 12 years. He was laid to rest by Emporia Post, No. 68, and was buried in the cemetery at Emporia, Kan.

McINTOSH.—James H. McIntosh, Co. I, 19th Me., died at Belfast, Me., March 7, of disease contracted while in the service. He was a brave soldier and a true patriot.

KELLY.—James H. Kelly, Co. K, 17th Ind., died at his home in Jeffersonville, Ind., April 3, of disease contracted during the war. He leaves a widow and two children.

WILSON.—Thomas Wilson, 12th Ky., was murdered on the night of March 28, near Somerset, Ky. He was a charter member of H. H. Wiley's post, by which he was buried.

SMITH.—George F. Smith, Co. B, 31st Mass., died at Florence, S. C., April 1, aged 53 years. He lost an arm during the war. He was a prominent Mason and G.A.B. comrade.

MATHISON.—James Mathison, Co. R, 50th Mass., and Co. A, 18th Mass., died very suddenly at Stoughton, Mass., March 25, of congestion of the lungs, aged 75 years. He lost the sight of both eyes during the war.

KOCH.—Ludwig Koch died at his home, near Paradise Valley, Pa., recently, aged 53 years. Comrade Koch served in Co. H, 29th Pa., and was a member of the post.

DEAN.—Joseph G. Dean died at his home near Manhattan Lake, Hensler, Dak., on Feb. 13. Comrade Dean was born at Mercer, Pa., and was one of the first to enlist in Co. H, 24 Wis., and was promoted to First Sergeant. Being discharged at the expiration of his term of enlistment, he joined the 1st N. H. A., and was promoted to First Lieutenant, serving until the close of the war. In the absence of

**JAY G.A.R.** Post in his locality the neighboring contractors of his vicinity took charge of the remains and laid them to rest in a beautiful spot on the grounds of the R.I.C. Contrary to what was expected, no complaint or suffering from effects of injuries received in the service, and had at the time of his death a claim for a pension pending, ample proof having been fully furnished to the Department. For some cause, however, no final action had been reached by the War Department, which was why the above earthly reliance is chiefly dependent on the action of the Pension Office.

**CLARK.—**F. L. Clark, Co. A, 40th N. Y., died at Cleveland, O., Jan. 23, aged 19 years. He was a

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